

October 13, 2006

California Building Standards Commission 2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130 Sacramento, CA 95833

Attention: Thomas L. Morrison, Deputy Executive Director

Sent via e-mail to: cbsc@dgs.ca.gov/ and bsc@dgs.ca.gov

RE: Participation comments for the notice dated August 22, 2006

Dear Mr. Morrison:

I am writing to state Aging Services of California's support for the written comments by Erickson Retirement Communities, which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Aging Services of California represents the full continuum of aging services. The members are community-based, not-for-profit providers of affordable housing, residential assisted living (RCFEs), continuing care retirement communities (CCRCs) and skilled nursing care. Most Aging Services members are faith-based, mission-driven organizations, currently serving more than 80,000 older Californians.

Issue: <u>Application of same building occupancy for RCFEs for different applications</u> within a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC).

Aging Services of California supports Erickson Retirement Communities comment on this issue. It is Aging Services' understanding that this issue only applies to high-density buildings and that detached cottages are not included in the purview of this issue and comment. If this understanding is not correct, Aging Services reserves the right to withdraw its support for the comment on this issue.

RE: Notice dated August 22, 2006

Support for Erickson Retirement Communities comments, dated October 12, 2006

Issue: Text regarding R-2 occupancy from previous version of CBC.

Aging Services of California supports Erickson Retirement Communities comment on this issue.

Issue: I-1 and R-4 Occupancies. Potential confusion in definition.

Aging Services of California supports Erickson Retirement Communities comment on this issue.

Suggested Revisions to the Text of the Regulation

Aging Services of California supports Erickson Retirement Communities comment on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Policy

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cc: Shelia Mackertich, Erickson Retirement Communities Attachments: Erickson Retirement Communities' comments

- 1. Issue: Application of same building occupancy for RCFEs for different applications within a Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC)
- 2. Issue: Text regarding R-2 occupancy from previous version of CBC.
- 3. Issue: <u>I-1 and R-4 Occupancies</u>. Potential confusion in definition
- 4. Suggested Revisions to the Text of the Regulation